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MONUMENT

Fort Mason

REPRESENTED IN
NEGATIVE FILE

H.A.B.S. SURVEY NO.

CAL-1119

History: Site chosen by Lt. A.

de Cordoba as secondary battery,
after Castillo San Joaquin (now Fort Point)PUBLISHED
PHOTOGRAPHS

1797. Abandoned few years later. Land here

PUBLISHED
DRAWINGS(orig. called Point Medanos, then San Jose'
finally Black Point due to somber growth of
laurel) was claimed by Fremont and four
friends but property had been declared
military area in 1851. Army, under Colonel
Mason, (cont)

dispossessed Fremont, and seized his house. Troops quartered here after 1863. Reservation named Fort Mason, 1882. Headquarters of Army Transportation Corps in World War II for embarkations to Pacific, continued in peacetime

Description: Various houses (of wood, largely) and Army buildings - many constructed in 19th century; some in 20th

References: San Francisco, American Guide Series, pp.306-307, (2nd ed.)

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